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In the Application of Deloris Gray Wood Application Serial No. 07/980,354 Filed November 23, 1992 For Kissing Shield and Method of Use Thereof In response to the Office action, dated April 29, 1993

Examiner David Kenealy Group Art Unit 3301 June 29, 1993

## AMENDMENT A

TO THE COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS, SIR:

This is in response to the Office action, mailed & April 29, 1993. Please amend the application as follows:

## In the Claims

In Claim 12, line 2, after the word "wire", please delete the words "or plastic".

Please add new Claim No. 22:

Claim 22. A face shield according to taim 1 wherein said supporting device is made of plastic.

## Remarks

The Examiner has rejected Claim Nos. 1 through 21, all the claims currently in the application, under a combination of rejections, all of which are based upon United States patent No. 4,664,628 (Totaro). Claim Nos. 1, 4, 6, 8, 9, and 12 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b), as being anticipated by Totaro. The remaining claims are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103, as being made obvious by Totaro in view of several other references. Applicant respectfully traverses all of the rejections of Claim Nos. 1 through 21 based on Totaro.

The Examiner states:

. . . Totaro discloses a body protective device that comprises an impervious membrane, 6, mounted on a supporting device, 1. The device comprises a frame that holds the flexible membrane in place over the user's mouth and has a rigid handle portion, 8 and 9, extending from the frame. The operator can use the handle to manipulate the device.